

Docket No.: 515-4181

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)
Giovanni Abatangelo et al.) Group Art Unit: 1633
) Examiner: Stroup, C.
Serial No.: 09/445,604)
Filed: December 7, 1999)

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For: BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL COMPRISING AN EFFICACIOUS CELL
CULTURE OF A BIOCOMPATIBLE AND BIODEGRADABLE THREE-DIMENSIONAL
MATRIX CONSISTING OF A HYALURONIC ACID DERIVATIVE

New York, NY 10036
January 12, 2001

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT

Sir:

This Amendment is being filed to supplement the
response that was filed October 23, 2000. Kindly amend the
text at page 8, lines 16-18 to read as follows:

DE --The histological observations demonstrated that all three
implanted reconstructed tissues, comprising skin adnexa
Langerhans islets and hepatocytes, at three weeks from
implantation still retained their typical morphology and the
implant was vascularized with new vessels originating from the
surrounding tissues. After three weeks there was clear
evidence that the Hyaff® scaffolds were undergoing degradation
and resorption.--

REMARKS

Upon further review of the Amendment of October 23,
2000, it was noted that a portion of the text had been
inadvertently deleted.